Special container train connecting to ports

1506. SHRI KANJIBHAI PATEL:
SHRI KESHUBHAI S. PATEL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether CONCOR is running a special container train anywhere in India connecting to ports; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R.VELU): (a) and (b) CONCOR is providing container train services to all major ports from its hinterland Inland Container Depots. These Inland Container Depots are connected with ports like Jawaharlal Nehru Port, Mumbai Port, Mundra, Pipavav, Kolkata, Kandla, Chennai, Tuticorin, Cochin etc.

Expansions programme of railways

1507. SHRI K. CHANDRAN PILLAI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways are planning for expansion;

(b) if so, the details of proposals pertaining to the expansion programme;

(c) whether any new proposal has been included for the railway development in the State of Kerala; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a; Yes, Sir.

(b) The expansion programme covers new lines, gauge conversion and doubling proposals.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Doubling Works:

SL No.	Name of Project	Year of sanction	Anticipated Cost (Rs in crore)	Progress of work
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Kankanadi-Panambur section Batch (19 Kms)	Supplementary Demands for grants 2006-07	70.00	New work included in the supplementary Demand for 2006-07. Plan and Estimate is under preparation. Tender called for final location survey.